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# H. R. 1188

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 11, 2003

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CHANGE IN MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO AMER-**  
4 **ICAN SAMOA.**

5 (a) PAYMENT OF REGULAR MATCHING RATE.—Sec-  
6 tion 1905(b)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
7 1396d(b)(2)) is amended by striking “the Northern Mar-  
8 iana Islands, and American Samoa” and inserting “and  
9 the Northern Mariana Islands”.

1 (b) INCREASE IN PAYMENT CEILING.—Section 1108  
2 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1308) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (f), by striking “subsection  
4 (g)” and inserting “subsections (g) and (h)”; and

5 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
6 section:

7 “(h) MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO AMERICAN SAMOA.—  
8 Notwithstanding subsections (f) and (g), the total amount  
9 certified by the Secretary under title XIX with respect to  
10 a fiscal year for payment to American Samoa shall not  
11 exceed—

12 “(1) for fiscal year 2004 \$10,000,000; and

13 “(2) for each succeeding fiscal year the amount  
14 provided in this subsection for the preceding fiscal  
15 year increased by the percentage increase in the  
16 medical care component of the consumer price index  
17 for all urban consumers (as published by the Bureau  
18 of Labor Statistics) for the twelve-month period end-  
19 ing in March preceding the beginning of the fiscal  
20 year, rounded to the nearest \$10,000.”.

21 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
22 this section shall take effect as of October 1, 2003, and  
23 shall apply to fiscal years beginning on or after such date.

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